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An important question has, within a few days, arisen, touching a <sup>printed</sup> letter I addressed to the Directors of the New Bedford & Taunton Rail Road, some time, as near as I recollect, about 1840.

It was printed (copied) into the Liberator from ~~the~~ <sup>a</sup> N. B. paper. S. Rodman Jun<sup>r</sup> had engaged, 1st, the Mercury (Lindsey), & he afterwards refusing, & then the Democratic paper pursuing the same course, I was obliged to resort to an obscure & unpopular paper for its insertion. I have never seen a copy since that day, & my file of Liberators is broken.

I think the letter is short, <sup>that</sup> & the positions I assumed were, 1st a remonstrance against their



ejection of the respectable colored man from the cars.

2<sup>d</sup> That I would not receive any Dividend from the road.

3<sup>d</sup> That I could not sell my stock while this proscription continued.

A year or two passed, & on official notice being given me that my remonstrance had prevailed, I gave to myself an order for the little Dividends wh. had occurred in the interim. My stock was small.

Now I do not wish in thy invalid state to tax thee overmuch, but I w<sup>d</sup> ask thee whether thou hast a file <sup>of Liberator's</sup> just by, to wh. to <sup>re</sup>fer —? whether thou wilt ~~or~~ give me the date & the name of the N. B. paper from wh. it was copied. Also wheth<sup>er</sup> the foregoing were the positions I assumed.

If any difficulty attends the investigation, please let it rest —  
Cordially thy fr<sup>d</sup> M. Barney.